

WHO SHALL RUN OUR STUD BOOK?

Breeders Have Yet Another Chance to Prove Their Strength.

With Them Lies the Solution of the Dilemma if They Will Only Arouse Themselves.

HOW THE JOCKEY CLUB STANDS.

Difficulty is by No Means Insurmountable, but Complications are Imminent if Breeders Do Not Come to the Fore.

Although the opening of the racing season has sufficed to drive all other subjects into the background for the time being, it is certain that we shall before long again hear of the trouble between the Jockey Club and Colonel S. D. Bruce, publisher of the American Stud Book. And there is no likelihood that what we shall

Breeders have to register their stock or incur the overwhelming penalty of underwriting the product of their farms in the stud book. In the opinion of many, moreover, there is no valid reason why the Jockey Club should not have an entirely new stud book compiled. This latter course would have many advantages, as numerous old errors could be avoided.

In speaking of this matter it would, however, be unfair to lose sight of the fact that the Stud Book has not been a paying concern. Had it not been for a certain measure of private support it would even have probably collapsed some time ago. Hence, its publisher has been harder on breeders than they have thought right, there was a valid excuse for his conduct.

Precisely what part the breeders should play in this matter is rather hard to decide. Colonel Bruce proposed that that they should purchase the Stud Book. Would it be for the breeders to purchase the publication from their own? The answer can scarcely be affirmative, for such a course would open up a long vista of tangles and snarls. If, indeed, the breeders were to acquire by purchase the controlling rights in the publication, their wisest plan would be to turn it over altogether to the Jockey Club to run for them. And then again arise visions of innumerable possible complications.

One thing seems certain—that in the breeders' hands lies the key to the problem. To them at their headquarters Colonel Bruce at once appealed when the difficulty between him and the Jockey Club reached a climax. Even Mr. Belmont thought it advisable to personally sound the feelings of the breeders. The breeders, therefore, while they cannot, as they presumably know, alter any fixed determination of the stewards, can bring great influence to bear on Colonel Bruce to take as temperate a view of the case as possible. From present indications the matter is sure to come be-

PURSES TO BE INCREASED.

Stewards of the Westchester Racing Association Recognize the Public's Liberal Response.

The following official notice was sent out last night by Mr. H. G. Crickmore, clerk of the course of the Westchester Racing Association:

Mr. August Belmont and the stewards of the Westchester Racing Association make special announcement that, in view of the greatly increased interest shown in racing arrangements, are being made to strengthen the programme to be run at Morris Park on Saturday, May 23, Saturday (Decorated Day), May 30, and Tuesday (the last day of the meeting), June 2.

For Saturday, May 23, it is expected that a race at three-quarters of a mile will be given for three-year-olds and upward, for \$3,000, in which both Handicapping and Hastings may start. It has not been decided whether it shall be an extra race, or if one of the races announced shall be withdrawn.

On Decoration Day the two unannounced races will probably be one for \$1,000 and the other for \$700, with the Memorial Handicap for \$1,000 and the steeplechase at two miles, will make an attractive holiday programme.

On Tuesday, June 2, the four races will be announced about as follows: First race, for three-year-olds, at three-quarters of a mile, for a purse of \$1,000; second race, for two-year-olds, for \$700, with the Memorial Handicap, an all-age handicap, at a mile, purse \$1,000; sixth race, for all ages, selling allowance, purse \$700, with the Kentucky, for fillies, two years old, and the Belmont, for three-year-olds, in which Handicapping and Hastings will meet, at a mile and three furlongs "over the hill" ought to make an excellent day's racing.

The stewards also announce that on Saturday, May 23 and 30, and on Tuesday, June 2, the old

LIVELY AT THE TRACKS.

Half the Trotting Horse Owners of Greater New York Were at Fleetwood and Parkway Yesterday.

There was speed galore at Fleetwood yesterday, and a goodly array of visitors and members of the Driving Club on hand to revel in it. The broad plaza of the clubhouse is a cool spot these warm days, for if there is a breath of air astir anywhere in Greater New York it is sure to be felt on the bluff overlooking the horse-racing grounds. Among the men who hobbled on the piazza yesterday morning, exchanging gossip about the trotters and watching the horses on the track taking their work, were Major S. T. Dickinson, who has owned and put together more fast pole teams than any horseman in the country; ex-Corporation Counsel William H. Clark, who loves a good trotter, and owns several of them in Nutshell (2:17 1/2), Dick (2:18 1/4), Prince Eugene (2:27 1/4) and Chris Lang (2:26 1/4); ex-President Matthew Riley, who is driving the handsome, speedy black trotter Don V. (2:25), a recent purchase from Michigan; P. T. Radlier, the owner of El Rami (2:14) and other fast ones; Gabe Case, Sheppard Knapp and Captain C. H. McDonald, the "old guard" of metropolitan riders; Richard F. Sears, who has just returned from South America; Frederick Steinway, John C. Stratton, Thomas K. Egbert, A. J. Welch, Sam Gamble, of Cal-

icut, with a quarter in 0:31, pacing; Chester E. Fryer, a mile in 2:22 1/2; al. driven by Elmer Stevens; George Huber's Irene, a mile in 2:25; Paschal, Cherrier, up, and Captain Lyons, a mile in 2:34, driven by Tim Sullivan, who is shaping up the stallion for a start at the Fleetwood June meeting.

Over at the Parkway track another large assemblage of Brooklyn road riders saw some speedy moves and brushes, the feature of the morning being a rattling start to road wagons, between Senator John McCarty, with his chestnut trotter Ben Davis, 2:19 1/2, and ex-President Frank Creamer, driving Jim Blaine. Senator McCarty is driving on the road the neat little pony trotters David S., 2:19 1/2, and Minnie Wilkes. Among the visitors to the track yesterday was Captain Henry Hoffman, owner of the black gelding Gerald, which the judges had denied the privilege of competing in the Inter-Club Cup races of Saturday. Captain Hoffman says he did not authorize the publication of the objectionable criticism attributed to him touching the judges who officiated at Fleetwood when Gerald was beaten by Detective. He will probably make a formal statement of the facts to the Inter-Club Cup Committee today, so that the matter may be adjusted in time for Gerald to take part in the race at Fleetwood next Saturday.

The trotters in the Southeastern Spring Circuit will be at the Gentlemen's Driving Park, Baltimore, this week. The entry for the Baltimore meeting is a large one, promising much better sport than was seen last week at the opening of the Norfolk track. Next week the local campaigning will open at Parkway, where a four-days' meeting is to commence on Wednesday, entries to the various classes on the circuit closing latest Wednesday. Following Parkway will come the Spring meeting at Fleetwood, beginning June 2 and continuing for four days. The open classes on the card are for 2:20 and 2:32

Couleville, Ky., May 16, 1896.
Tenth day of the Spring meeting of the New Louisville Jockey Club. Weather rainy. Track muddy.

247.—FIRST RACE—Purse \$400; for two-year-olds; selling. Five furlongs. Time—1:04.												
Index	Horses	Wt.	St.	M.	M.	M.	Fin.	Jockeys	Open.	Betting.	Closing.	
225	Red	100	7	7	4	1	1 1/2	Williams	7	15	8	
226	Temp	100	7	7	4	1	1 1/2	Williams	7	15	8	
227	La. Blossom	107	8	8	5	4	3 1/2	Higgins	12	23	1 1/2	
228	La. Tule	104	5	5	8	4	4	Thorne	10	20	7	
229	Assault	100	7	7	4	1	1 1/2	Williams	7	15	8	
230	La. Princess	107	1	2 1/2	6	6	6	Sherr	4	9 1/2	6 1/2	
231	Tempest	101	4	2 1/2	2 1/2	7	7	Gardner	5	10	3	
232	La. Prince	108	1	2 1/2	2 1/2	8	8	Bush	2	3	1	

Start good. Won driving. Winner chestnut colt by Buchanan-Powhatan II.

248.—SECOND RACE—Purse \$400; for three-year-olds and upward; selling. Six furlongs. Time—1:18.												
Index	Horses	Wt.	St.	M.	M.	M.	Fin.	Jockeys	Open.	Betting.	Closing.	
241	Blair	107	10	7	7	7	7	Perkins	2	3	3	
242	Joe Clark	104	9	4	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	Perkins	4	4	7 1/2	
243	Katie G	104	4	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	Thorne	4	4	7 1/2	
244	La. Prince	107	1	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	Williams	3	7	12 1/2	
245	Derette	97	7	8	9	7	7	Bain	6	10	3	
246	Donchy	80	6	6	6	6	6	Brendle	20	25	10	
247	Frederick	100	6	6	6	6	6	Williams	5	7	12 1/2	
248	Charub	87	2	6	6	6	6	Higgins	20	50	20	
249	La. Prince	107	1	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	Williams	3	7	12 1/2	
250	Landseer	101	8	10	10	10	10	Dines	20	30	10	
251	Canewood	107	8	10	10	10	10	Cassidy	6	10	4	

Start fair. Won ridden out. Winner chestnut filly by Hanover-Ada D.

249.—THIRD RACE—Purse \$400; for three-year-olds and upward; selling. Six furlongs. Time—1:37 1/4.												
Index	Horses	Wt.	St.	M.	M.	M.	Fin.	Jockeys	Open.	Betting.	Closing.	
237	Merlan	105	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Perkins	1	6 1/2	3 1/2	
238	Merlan	105	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Perkins	1	6 1/2	3 1/2	
239	Merlan	105	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Perkins	1	6 1/2	3 1/2	
240	Merlan	105	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Perkins	1	6 1/2	3 1/2	
241	Merlan	105	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Perkins	1	6 1/2	3 1/2	
242	Merlan	105	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Perkins	1	6 1/2	3 1/2	
243	Merlan	105	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Perkins	1	6 1/2	3 1/2	
244	Merlan	105	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Perkins	1	6 1/2	3 1/2	
245	Merlan	105	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Perkins	1	6 1/2	3 1/2	
246	Merlan	105	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Perkins	1	6 1/2	3 1/2	
247	Merlan	105	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Perkins	1	6 1/2	3 1/2	
248	Merlan	105	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Perkins	1	6 1/2	3 1/2	
249	Merlan	105	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Perkins	1	6 1/2	3 1/2	
250	Merlan	105	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Perkins	1	6 1/2	3 1/2	
251	Merlan	105	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Perkins	1	6 1/2	3 1/2	

Start good. Won easily. Winner bay colt by Stratford-Elise Rosalind.

250.—FOURTH RACE—The Shuttle Stakes; \$2,000 guaranteed; for three-year-olds. One mile. Time—1:44 1/4.												
Index	Horses	Wt.	St.	M.	M.	M.	Fin.	Jockeys	Open.	Betting.	Closing.	
150	Ben Brush	122	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Thorne	2 1/2	5	1 1/2	
237	Lady Inez	117	3	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	Perkins	5	3	1 1/2	
238	Samper	108	4	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	Bain	15	25	4	
239	La. Prince	110	2	4	4	4	4	Williams	15	25	4	

Start fair. *Dead heat.

Run off. Time—1:43.												
Index	Horses	Wt.	St.	M.	M.	M.	Fin.	Jockeys	Open.	Betting.	Closing.	
150	Ben Brush	122	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Thorne	4 1/2	8	10	
237	Lady Inez	117	2	2	2	2	2	Perkins	1	4 1/2		

Start good. Won easily. Winner bay colt by Bramble-Roseville.

251.—FIFTH RACE—Purse \$800; for maiden two-year-old fillies. Four furlongs. Time—0:50 1/4.												
Index	Horses	Wt.	St.	M.	M.	M.	Fin.	Jockeys	Open.	Betting.	Closing.	
225	Alice C.	107	4	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Thorne	3	5 1/2	1 1/2	
226	Mazappa	107	4	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Thorne	3	5 1/2	1 1/2	
227	Govinda	107	1	5	5	5	5	Perkins	6	8	1 1/2	
228	Govinda	107	1	5	5	5	5	Perkins	6	8	1 1/2	
229	Govinda	107	1	5	5	5	5	Perkins	6	8	1 1/2	
230	Govinda	107	1	5	5	5	5	Perkins	6	8	1 1/2	
231	Govinda	107	1	5	5	5	5	Perkins	6	8	1 1/2	
232	Govinda	107	1	5	5	5	5	Perkins	6	8	1 1/2	
233	Govinda	107	1	5	5	5	5	Perkins	6	8	1 1/2	
234	Govinda	107	1	5	5	5	5	Perkins	6	8	1 1/2	
235	Govinda	107	1	5	5	5	5	Perkins	6	8	1 1/2	
236	Govinda	107	1	5	5	5	5	Perkins	6	8	1 1/2	
237	Govinda	107	1	5	5	5	5	Perkins	6	8	1 1/2	
238	Govinda	107	1	5	5	5	5	Perkins	6	8	1 1/2	
239	Govinda	107	1	5	5	5	5	Perkins	6	8	1 1/2	
240	Govinda	107	1	5	5	5	5	Perkins	6	8	1 1/2	
241	Govinda	107	1	5	5	5	5	Perkins	6	8	1 1/2	
242	Govinda	107	1	5	5	5	5	Perkins	6	8	1 1/2	
243	Govinda	107	1	5	5	5	5	Perkins	6	8	1 1/2	
244	Govinda	107	1	5	5	5	5	Perkins	6	8	1 1/2	
245	Govinda	107	1	5	5	5	5	Perkins	6	8	1 1/2	
246	Govinda	107	1	5	5	5	5	Perkins	6	8	1 1/2	
247	Govinda	107	1	5	5	5	5	Perkins	6	8	1 1/2	
248	Govinda	107	1	5	5	5	5	Perkins	6	8	1 1/2	
249	Govinda	107	1	5	5	5	5	Perkins	6	8	1 1/2	
250	Govinda	107	1	5	5	5	5	Perkins	6	8	1 1/2	
251	Govinda	107	1	5	5	5	5	Perkins	6	8	1 1/2	

Start poor. Won easily. Winner bay filly by King Eric-Vanitie II.

CROKER IS DANCEROUS.

An English Authority Declares That There Is a Good Race in America, Due Later.

By Julian Ralph.

London, May 17.—To-day's Sunday Times contains the opinion of a well-known racing expert upon the chances of the American horses now in England. According to this authority: "American horses, of which we have a considerable number located at Newmarket and Wantage, have commenced to repay some portion of their hay and corn. Mr. P. L. Lorrain and Mr. Wishard, having been close up in several races at the late Newmarket meeting, while a couple of stakes fell to their credit. "Thinking of a well-informed American sportsman a few days back, I was told neither of the two gentlemen mentioned had anything in his possession above platy form, and the running of their stables seems to bear out this statement. "The only danger we have to fear emanates from Wantage, where C. Morton looks after Mr. Richard Croker's thoroughbreds, some of which came over in the Spring of 1895 in sweep the board, but have achieved nothing beyond capturing the Crawford Plate, and a few minor events. "That there is a good race in America I fully believe, but it is difficult to arrive considerably later in the season."

AUCTION SALES TO COME.

L. Dahlman, at Dahlman's Auction Mart, today, No. 205 to 207 East Twenty-fourth street, at 10 a. m.

THE RAMAPO yearlings, property of Mr. J. Otto Donner, by the East River company, May 23, Morris Park sale building, at 1 p. m.

WOODARD & SHANKLIN, yearlings and race horses, Morris Park sale building, May 20, 27 and 28.

HORSE WORLD.

As I anticipated, much more lively bidding and better prices ruled at the Rancho del Paso yearling sale Saturday than on the previous day.

Some good things were below their value, of course, and will be pretty sure to more than repay the owner. But the market was not so good as it was at times, and should be, for it outside values were given for everything the animals had to offer.

When a horse came into the ring it was not difficult to attract the attention of the audience—a mighty crowd, and the bidding was not slow in coming up to the final stopping point.

An average of within a few dollars of \$1,000 per head was the result of the sale.

For future sales or unsatisfactory in any sense.